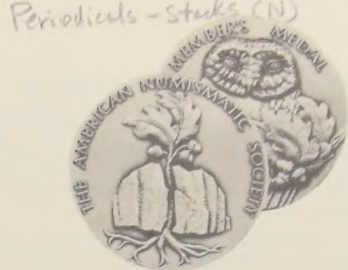


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Mr. and Mrs. Otto Mørkholm admire Huntington Medal presented by Margaret Thompson

Otto Mørkholm Huntington Medallist

The distinguished Danish scholar, Otto Mørkholm, has been awarded the Society's Archer M. Huntington Medal for 1981. Presentation of the award, given for outstanding achievement in numismatic scholarship, was made at the ANS Annual Meeting on January 9. Mr. Mørkholm, who serves as Keeper of Coins of the Royal Coin Cabinet in Copenhagen, is a Corresponding Member of the Society, elected to that status in 1962, the year he first visited the ANS as Visiting Scholar to the Graduate Seminar. In 1969 he participated in the seminar program a second time.

Together with his wife Annelis, Mr. Mørkholm traveled to New York to receive the award in person and spend the following week at the Society on personal research projects.

Citation by Thompson

Margaret Thompson, ANS Chief Cu-

rator Emeritus, colleague and personal friend of Mr. Mørkholm, presented the award on behalf of the Huntington Medal Committee:

"In this Bicentennial year of the Royal Coin Cabinet of Copenhagen, it seems especially appropriate that the Society's Huntington Medal goes today to the Keeper of Coins who has done so much to enhance the prestige of that outstanding Cabinet. Dr. Mørkholm's area of special interest involves the regnal coinages of the Hellenistic period, with emphasis on the Seleucids, the Ptolemies and the Cappadocians, but not forgetting notable contributions on the somewhat earlier issues of the dynasts of Lycia and the satraps of Cilicia. In these diverse fields, his numerous penetrating studies have not only refined the chronologies but added new contributions and mints to the existing record. One clear indication of

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ANS 125TH ANNIVERSARY IN 1983

The Society will celebrate the 125th anniversary of its founding during 1983. Plans formulated to date center on two principal activities: installation of the "World of Numismatics" exhibit planned for the Society's West Hall and sponsorship of a two-day symposium at the museum on the topic "Numismatics and History" featuring approximately 10 papers of broad interest.

The weekend of September 9-10 has been selected tentatively for the symposium and exhibit opening. A special effort will be made to attract former Graduate Seminar students and ANS members to these events. We are attempting to reach as many former seminar students as possible for inclusion in an "Alumni Directory," including an indexed listing of the research papers produced during the 30 years that the graduate seminar has been offered.

In addition work has begun on a sequel to the Society's *History*, covering the 25 years since the centennial in 1958. William Metcalf, Society Chief Curator, is undertaking this effort. Future issues of the *ANS Newsletter* will contain more specific information on plans for the celebration. Meanwhile, suggestions and requests for further information concerning any of these events are welcome.

Medal Proposed

In addition, the Council has approved plans for the production of a medal to commemorate the 125th anniversary of the ANS in 1983. The medal will be available for purchase by members and the general public.

The design of the medal will be chosen through an invited competition among sculptors who have demonstrated skill and imagination in medallic art.

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his eminence as a scholar and the broad range of his knowledge is the fact that he has been asked to prepare the handbook on Hellenistic coinages in the Methuen series.

"Apart from the books and articles on specialized subjects, there have been the time-consuming tasks of compiling and editing. Copenhagen has the proud distinction of being the only major numismatic cabinet with its Greek holdings fully on record in the *Sylloge Nummorum Graecorum* and the successful completion of this program is largely due to Dr. Mørkholm. Important sections of the von Aulock *Sylloge* and periodic surveys of Greek numismatic research are also his work. As a co-editor of the *Inventory of Greek Coin Hoards* he played a major role in placing this valuable tool at the disposal of numismatists, historians and archaeologists.

"Publication is only part of the story. Numismatists here and abroad will recall with pleasure the superbly-organized International Congress of 1967 held in Copenhagen under Dr. Mørkholm's direction. Members of the International Numismatic Commission have reason to be grateful for the twelve years during which he, with the help of his wife Annelis, served as Secretary of the Bureau. Ties with the American Numismatic Society have been close and enduring. In 1962 and again in 1969 he was in New York as Visiting Scholar at the Summer Seminar. For the reprint sections of Edward Newell's Seleucid mints he provided introductory sections on relevant new material. In 1977 he undertook the co-editorship of a *Festschrift* for a member of the Society's staff. Over the years our Greek department has been truly indebted to him for the kindness and generosity with which he has made his time, help and advice available.

"In awarding its 1981 Huntington Medal to Dr. Otto Mørkholm, the Society does so in recognition of past achievements and with confidence that the years to come will prove equally fruitful."

Mørkholm's Acceptance

In acknowledging the award, Mr. Mørkholm addressed the meeting as follows:

"Mr. President, my dear Margaret, fellow colleagues, ladies and gentlemen:

"It is an extreme pleasure to me to be present here today, together with my



Huntington Medal

wife, and to receive this distinction which you have conferred upon me.

"When, in October, I was first told about this award, my feelings were mixed and confused. It is something of a burden to hear that your name is going to be added to a list of distinguished numismatists, headed by that eminent scholar, Edward T. Newell, in 1918.

"It makes you feel embarrassed, and you may feel a little diffident about being able to carry the weight of this great award.

"But human nature being what it is, the extreme pleasure and satisfaction soon overcame my diffidence and it will do so today also, I am sure. It really is a pleasure to be here among you.

"My connection with the American Numismatic Society goes back, as Margaret has just told you, as far as 1962, for 20 years. I met my American colleagues first the year before at the International Numismatic Congress in Rome where I heard interesting papers written by Margaret Thompson on the Athenian New Style theme, and a promising young scholar, Ted Buttrely, who's also present today, read a paper on coin finds from Morgantina. Already

at that time I was impressed by the quality of American research in ancient numismatics.

"Since then it has been my privilege to come here quite often, and I've always been met with extreme friendship, and with extreme help and cooperation in anything I wanted to undertake here.

"It is a very, very fine place for working with Greek coinages, especially in the Hellenistic field. There can be no doubt that the American Numismatic Society, in this particular section, is just simply the center of numismatic research in the world.

"It is due to the efforts of Mr. Newell and his able successors, Sydney P. Noe, Margaret Thompson and the others who have followed and are still working to improve and to expand this famous collection.

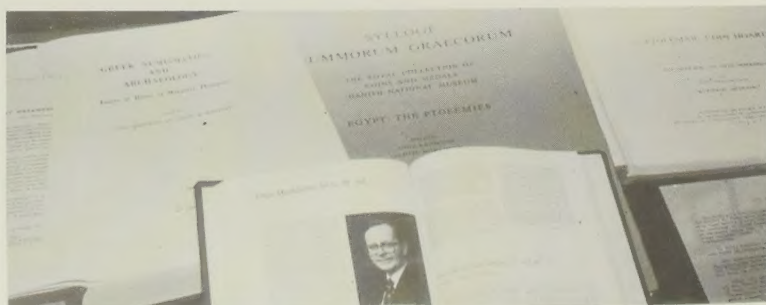
"It has meant a lot to me and for my work to be able to come here and use the material housed in this building, and to meet with friends and colleagues, discussing various problems. Margaret mentioned that I've been able to give help and advice on a few minor points; I have received much more from her and from the other colleagues here than I have been able to give.

"I thank you all for this great distinction; I shall try to live up to it. The best way of doing that certainly will be to continue my studies, trying to improve them, trying to expand in various fields, and do my share in this common work in which so many people are involved.

"Thank you very much."

Display of Books

In conjunction with the award to Otto Mørkholm, an exhibit of his principal numismatic writings was placed on view in the West Exhibit Hall, arranged by Society Associate Librarian Margaret D'Ambrosio.



Display of works by Otto Mørkholm



The Centennial Medal of the American Numismatic Society, by Laura Gardin Fraser

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A similar competition resulted in the highly successful members medal issued in 1977 and still available for sale.

The artists have been instructed to include the name of the Society, the dates 1858 and 1983, and the emblem of an oak leaf cluster in their designs. They have also been told that the design should be emblematic of one or more aspects of the Society's work, beyond which the choice of subjects and style of rendering is left to their imagination.

The selection of the winning design will be made in October 1982 by the Council, on the recommendation of the Ad-Hoc Committee for the 125th Anniversary Medal. This committee, which also chose the artists to be invited to compete, consists of: T. James Luce (chairman), George Cuhaj, Robert La Rocca, Julius Lauth, Scott Miller, Thomas Wilfred, Erich Wronker, and Alan Stahl (secretary). The entries will be judged anonymously to guard against bias among the jury. The winning artist will receive a commission of \$3,500; the others will each receive an honorarium of \$250.

BLOESCH TO RETIRE

Hansjörg Bloesch, Curator of the Winterthur Coin Cabinet in Switzerland has announced his retirement effective March 15, 1982. The collection, which has been closed during recent months for renovation and expansion, will

SEMINAR, FELLOWSHIP DEADLINE MARCH 2

Candidates for participation in the Society's 30th Annual Graduate Seminar in Numismatics are reminded that completed applications must be received at the Society by March 2, including the letters of recommendation solicited by the candidate.

Applicants must have completed at least one year's graduate study in Classics, Archaeology, History, Art History, Economic History, or other related disciplines. Junior faculty members with a degree in one of these fields are also eligible. Grants in aid of \$900 are awarded to the ten students selected for participation in the seminar.

March 2 is also the deadline for applications for the Society's Fellowship for the academic year 1982/83. Announcements of both the seminar participants and the Fellowship recipient will be made by April 1. Applications are available directly from the Society.

reopen in early summer. The mailing address, which was changed during the past year, is Münzkabinett, Stadtbibliothek, Postfach 428, CH-8401 Winterthur.

Mr. Bloesch, together with his wife Margaret, visited the ANS in the spring of 1980 to do research. In 1963 he was the Visiting Scholar at the ANS Graduate Seminar. An article by Mr. Bloesch on "The Hellenistic Coins of Aegae (Cilicia)" will appear in *ANSMN* 27.

MEMBER'S MAILINGS 1981

One of the important benefits of Associate membership in the Society is receipt of the various publications issued to all members as well as discounts on other ANS books. During 1981, Associates received publications having a retail value of \$39.00 together with an additional \$32.50 in discount opportunities.

Mailings during the past year began with the *Annual Report* in mid-January followed by the Winter 1981 issue of the *ANSNewsletter* in early February. Our annual journal *ANSMN* 25 was mailed at the end of March. *Numismatic Literature* 105 (March 1981) was sent in late May, and in June the Spring *ANSNewsletter* was issued containing a discount coupon toward purchase of *SNGANS* 6, *Palestine-South Arabia*, by Ya'akov Meshorer.

The Summer *ANSNewsletter*, mailed toward the end of July, contained a discount offer for the most recent ACNAC publication, *The Wheaton College Collection of Greek and Roman Coins*, by J. David Bishop and R. Ross Holloway. Both *SNGANS* 6 and the *Wheaton* ACNAC were sent to Fellows and subscribing Associates in October.

Also in October Dues Notices went out to all members (Society dues are for the calendar year). The Fall *ANSNewsletter* was issued in late November and in mid-December the "Second Notice" for 1982 dues was sent the appropriate members. Only paid-up members of the Society receive mailings.

ASSOCIATES ELECTED

Sixty new Associate Members were elected at the January 9 meeting of the Council including 18 who had completed applications at the New York International Numismatic Convention where the Society had an information booth. The list also included three libraries whose readers will benefit from the availability of Society publications: Milwaukee Public Museum Library, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; University of Notre Dame Library, Notre Dame, Indiana; and Ulster Museum, Belfast, Ireland.

Coin and Currency Leaders

Among individuals enrolled at the meeting are three of the nation's coinage leaders: the Hon. Angela M. Buchanan, Treasurer of the United States; the Hon. Donna M. Pope, Director of the Mint, who is also *ex officio* an Honorary Fellow of the Society; and Elizabeth Jones, Chief Engraver of the Mint. All were sponsored for membership by Mrs. Marion G. Russell, a Fellow of the Society and member of the governing Council.

Others elected are: Joseph J. Abiuso, Lawrence, New York; Frederick F. Bartfeld, Flushing, New York; Yale L. Berry, Boston, Massachusetts; Jeanne Bishop, San Rafael, California; Thomas Carlin, Berkeley Heights, New Jersey; Irving Carol, Rumson, New Jersey; Pedro R. Collazo, Manitou Springs, Colorado; Stanley E. Davis, Thousand Oaks, California; Hendrik J. de Jager, Loma Linda, California; John S. Deyell, Maple, Ontario, Canada; Michael J.I. Druck, Bronx, N.Y.

Also, Michael Egger, Munich, Germany; Wolf Elkan, New York, N.Y.; John Herbert Fisher, Lawrence, Kansas; Stephan Glynn Forward, Marblehead, Massachusetts; Rocco Franz, Brooklyn, N.Y.; Marshall Frumer, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Walter J. Grzeszczuk, Willingboro, New Jersey; William E. Hopkins, Anchorage, Kentucky; Edward Horn, Teaneck, New Jersey; Jonathan Hiram Kagan, Great Neck, New York; Terry Kaplan, Brooklyn, N.Y..

Also, Thomas G. Kost, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Joseph A. Kuhn, Long Beach, New York; Hubert Lanz, Munich, Germany; Maxwell J. Lieberman, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Charles M. Little, San Francisco, California; Malcolm G. MacKenzie, Hartford, Connecticut; Gregory K. Manoakian, Montreal, Quebec, Canada; Heinz W. Muller, Solingen, Germany; Walter Muschietti,

Udine, Italy; Billy Muzio, APO New York; William S. Nawrocki, Thornton, Illinois.

Also, Louis L. Orenstein, Northbrook, Illinois; Quinten Fortich Oropilla, Rizal, Philippines; Christopher C. Parslow, Iowa City, Iowa; Marko Perko, Montebello, California; Jeff Rock, Santee, California; Harald Salvesen, Oslo, Norway; I.W. Schuster, Massapequa, New York; Thomas H. Sebring, Berwyn, Pennsylvania; A. Ronald Sirna, Jr., Flint, Michigan; Richard A. Sisti, Newfoundland, New Jersey; Klaus Sommer, Heyenfeldweg, Germany.

Also, Landon Thomas, New York, N.Y.; Scott A. Travers, New York, N.Y.; Vincent J. Trypuc, Jr., West Hampton Beach, New York; Charles S. Viets, Youngstown, Ohio; Luis Vigdor, New York, N.Y.; Ronald R. Volpe, Brooklyn, N.Y.; Gregory P. Warden, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Jeremy D. Weinstein, Berkeley, California; Douglas A. Winter, Huntington Bay, New York; James H. Young, Arlington, Massachusetts.

TAX DEDUCTION AVAILABLE

Beginning in 1982, all taxpayers, including those who do not itemize on their tax returns, may claim a deduction for gifts to qualifying charitable organizations such as the ANS.

As presently written, the law provides for a deduction of up to \$25. for gifts made in 1982 and 1983; up to \$75. in 1984; 50% of the total of qualifying gifts in 1985 and 100% in 1986. In addition, corporations may now deduct charitable gifts of up to 10% of taxable income, double the previous limit.

The new law is intended to encourage broader participation by the private sector in the financial support of charitable organizations, especially in the light of reduced federal support.

Benefit to Annual Giving

The success of the Society's Annual Giving program is dependent upon the generosity of members and friends, many of whom have not heretofore derived a direct tax benefit for their gifts. The Society's goal for fiscal 1982 is \$50,000 of which \$24,335 has been received to date. Of the 256 contributions received, 201 were for \$25 or less. Gifts in any amount are most welcome and may now enable the donor to claim a tax deduction.



Sestertius of Nero

FRED KLEINER APRIL SPEAKER

Fred S. Kleiner, Chairman of the Art History Department at Boston University, is the Society's invited speaker at the Spring Members Meeting on Saturday, April 17, 1982.

The topic of the Joseph B. Stack and Morton M. Stack Memorial Lecture is "The Lost Arch of Nero: A Numismatic Search." This arch, known to us only by its depiction on large bronzes of Nero, can be reconstructed and placed in the context of Roman architectural history, according to Mr. Kleiner, through examination of the numismatic evidence in association with other historical clues.

Mr. Kleiner lectures regularly at the ANS Graduate Seminar and is a contributor to the Society's journal. He is co-author of *The Early Cistophoric Coinage*, published by the Society in 1977 as Numismatic Studies 14. In addition he has published two volumes on the coinage found in the Athenian Agora.

The Spring Members Meeting will be held at the Society's museum, beginning at 3:00 P.M. Refreshments will be served following the talk.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ADOPTED

The Society's Constitution was amended at the Annual Meeting on January 9 to provide for an increase in the maximum number of Fellows from 150 to 200. Fellows are the voting members of the Society and it is from their number that Council Members are elected.

As amended, Article 5, Section 6 now reads: "Any person or organization may be elected a Fellow. The number of Life and Annual Fellows combined shall not at any time exceed two hundred."



Associate Librarian Margaret D'Ambrosio utilizing newly-installed shelving units

Library Installs Spacesaver Shelving

In a move designed to increase shelf capacity and to better preserve some of its more important materials, the Library has installed moveable shelving units in the east wing. Installation of Space-saver mobile shelving units increases the Library's overall shelf capacity by some 30% and represents a major step in a preservation program begun some years ago by Society Librarian Francis Campbell.

The new shelving will hold all those volumes previously housed in the east wing and provide space for an additional 14,000 volumes. It will also permit the Librarian to segregate some of the more fragile items in the collection, thus preventing their deterioration or damage. Toward this end, all auction catalogues prior to 1950 have been removed from the Library's file cabinets and placed in boxes on the new

shelving. Access to these materials is under Library staff control.

The overall layout and appearance of the redesigned east library provides a very inviting area in which to do research.

NUMISMATIC SESSION PLANNED

Alan Stahl, ANS Associate Curator of Mediaeval Coins, has organized a special session on "Coinage and Money in Medieval Europe" for presentation at the Seventeenth International Congress on Medieval Studies. This Conference, scheduled for May 6-9 in Kalamazoo, Michigan, is sponsored by the Medieval Institute of Western Michigan University.

Thomas Blomquist, Associate Professor of History at Northern Illinois University will chair the session. Participating as panelists are Barbara A. Baxter of Harvard University, speaking on "Beneventum and Early Medieval Coinage;" Deborah J. Shepherd, University of Wisconsin at Madison on "The Historical and Economic Significance of the Daelli-type Bracteates from Twelfth Century Norway;" and Mr. Stahl on "Venice's Coinage for Greece."

Of significance is the fact that all participants in this session are graduates of the Society's Numismatic Seminar.

OFFICERS ELECTED

At the Society corporate reorganization meeting, held following the Annual Meeting, the current officers were reelected to additional one-year terms. Officers for 1982 are: Harry Bass, Jr., President; Harry W. Fowler, First Vice-President; T. James Luce, Second Vice-President; Leslie A. Elam, Director and Secretary; John D. Leggett, Jr., Treasurer; John H. Greenfield, Assistant Treasurer.

Committees Appointed

The Executive Committee of the Council consists of Harry W. Bass, Jr., Chairman, Harry W. Fowler, T. James Luce, John D. Leggett, Jr., Baldwin Maull, and Mrs. Marion G. Russell. The Finance Committee members are Harry W. Fowler, Chairman, Harry W. Bass, Jr., Arthur Houghton, John D. Leggett, Jr., Baldwin Maull, and R. Henry Norweb, Jr. Samuel R. Milbank serves as member emeritus of both committees.

Calendar

February

- 10 *Numismatic Literature* 106 to membership (revised schedule)
 12 Society closed - Lincoln's Birthday

March

- 2 Application deadline for ANS Graduate Seminar and Graduate Fellowship awards
 5 Finance Committee meeting, 11:00
 Executive Committee meeting, 1:30

April

- 31-2 American Council of Learned Societies meeting (ANS represented by L.A. Elam and T.J. Luce)
 17 Spring Members Meeting of the Society - Fred S. Kleiner, Guest Speaker, 3:00
 Council Meeting, 1:30

May

- 1 East Asian Coin Committee meeting
 6-9 Seventeenth International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, Michigan (Session on "Coinage and Money in Medieval Europe" organized by A. Stahl)
 8 Managing Committee of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens (ANS repre-

SNGANS IN PREPARATION

This past fall the Society published its ancient coinages from the area of Palestine through South Arabia as Part 6 in the *Sylloge Nummorum Graecorum: The Collection of the American Numismatic Society*. Several members have written subsequently to inquire whether Part 5 has been published since Parts 1-4 had been issued in sequential order.

Part 5, for which no publication date has yet been set, is now in preparation by Denyse Bérend of Paris. It includes the Society's extensive holdings of the mint of Syracuse through the end of Sicily. Publication of Part 5 will complete a major section of the cabinet begun with Part 1, encompassing the mints of South Italy and Sicily. Several indices to this entire section, prepared by Margaret Thompson, will also be included in Part 5.

In the future we shall continue the practice of publishing major sections of the Greek coin cabinet in sequentially numbered fascicules while publishing single volume sections as the opportunity arises. *SNGANS* 6, authored by Ya'akov Meshorer, records the Society's extraordinary Judaean series. The Society's strong holdings in Bactrian and Indo-Greek coinages is currently being studied by William F. Spengler toward publication in a future *Sylloge* fascicule.

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- 9-10 Medieval Academy of America annual meeting, Kalamazoo, Michigan (ANS represented by A. Stahl)



Society President Harry W. Bass, Jr. presiding over recent Council meeting

THREE ELECTED TO COUNCIL

The three incumbent Council members were elected to new five-year terms at the Society's Annual Meeting: Harry W. Bass, Jr., a corporate leader from Dallas, Texas, who serves as Society President, Chairman of the Executive Committee and Chairman of the Standing Committee on the Library; T. James Luce of Princeton University, Second Vice-President of the Society, Chairman of the Medals and Decorations Committee and a member of the Publications Committee; and Mrs. Marion G. Russell, Editor of *Coin World* newspaper and a member of the Committee on Modern Coinage and Currencies.

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